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Groceries, Hardware, Stoves, &c.
We are here as we have been for many years, and expect to and will give you as many (or more) goods for the same money as any other house in the city. We are not importers, but buy our goods as cheap as anyone in the city and intend to keep nothing but
STRICTLY FIRST CLASS GOODS
and with our experience of twenty-five years in the grocery business and know that we know the best brands of goods, also know what they are worth in the market and at the inside price, and the inside price is what we pay for them. It is not necessary to advertise prices for other parties to duplicate, but we ask you to come in with your
CASH, CHICKENS, EGGS, BUTTER
In fact anything that you have for sale and we will give you as much for it as the market will bear, in justice to ourselves as well as you.
OUR LINE OF HARDWARE
is complete in everything from a sewing awl to a cook stove. Our line of plated fruit were bought in San Francisco, shipped direct to us and are strictly fancy. Our coffees are the best in the city, come and try them and you will be convinced, we tell the truth "so with all our lines." Only try them and you will be satisfied.
We Guarantee everything we sell to be as Represented
We do not want to say we will duplicate any legitimate price quoted. We do not want our horn but will leave the matter with our customers to determine whether we do a legitimate business or not. Come in and be convinced.
Very respectfully yours,
A. L. McBRIDE & Co.
North side square, Butler Missouri.

Secret of Beauty
Health. The secret of health is the power to digest and assimilate a proper quantity of food. This can never be done when the liver does not act its part.
Do you know this?
Butt's Liver Pills are an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, torpid liver, piles, indigestion, bilious fever, Lillies and kindred diseases.
Butt's Liver Pills

JACKSON MUST HANG.
New York, May 14.—The Scott Jackson case went to the jury at 10 o'clock this morning. Before retiring the judge's type-written instructions, bloody clothes, letters and other articles that were shown in evidence were placed in their hands. At 1:05 p. m. the jury returned to the court room with a verdict. Amid death-like stillness the foreman handed the verdict to the clerk, who read as follows: "We the jury, find the defendant, Scott Jackson, guilty of murder in the first degree, and fix his penalty at death."
The judge had previously announced that no demonstrations of approval or disapproval by spectators would be permitted. Deputies were placed throughout the room, with orders to bring before the court any person disobeying this instruction, to be punished for contempt. Consequently, the verdict was heard with silence, but immediately upon the adjournment of the court the spectators rushed to the jurors and shook each other by the hand, showing a hearty approval of the verdict pronounced by the jury.
Jackson himself received his doom with no manifestation of emotion except a pale ashen paleness of the face. None of his relatives were present. The aged father of Pearl Bryan and her brother, Fred Bryan, were present when the verdict was rendered.
The usual motion for a new trial was made and then Jackson was taken away to jail. He had been surrounded by a half dozen or more officers, and went out under their protection, although there was no demonstration to indicate a necessity for such care. The general impression is that the verdict is right.
In anticipation of trouble in the event of a disagreement or of acquittal, the commonwealth had arranged for a special train to transfer Walling, as well as Jackson to the State penitentiary at Frankfort. This train was in waiting until noon and no one

ed upon in the case of Alonzo M. Walling, whose trial is set for next Tuesday. It must be in an adjoining county. As Kenton county, with Covington as the county seat, and Pendleton county, whose shire town is Falmouth, are the only counties adjoining Campbell, the change of venue will almost certainly be to Falmouth, the more remote town from the scene of the murder.
"My opposition to Gov. McKinley proceeds almost entirely from my belief that he will get the republicans party into turmoil and trouble. He is not a well balanced man of affairs, as Gov. Morton. He is not a great man, as Reed is. He is not a trained and educated public man, as Senator Allison is. He is not an astute political leader, as Senator Quay is. He is simply a clever gentleman, much too malleable and much too impressionable to be safely entrusted with great executive office, whose quest for honor happens to have the accidental advantage of the association of his name with the last republican protective tariff.
Mr. McKinley had really less to do with that industrial law than had either Gov. Dingley or Senator Aldrich, but simply because of his position as chairman of the ways and means committee of the fifty-first congress it has borne his name, and there seem to be a good many people who labor under the impression that he wrote it line for line and that the theory that it embodies originated in his colossal intellect. I would not deny him one jot or tittle of the credit that really belongs to him, but it is unhandsome to defraud others of the credit that belongs to them.
I am creditably informed that the instruction for McKinley by the California convention was obtained by the promises on the part of his managers of a Cabinet office and by the further promise that he would sign any silver legislation that could be got through the next congress. This pledge is safe enough, perhaps, since the next congress is not likely to pass any silver legislation, but the sense of the promise was an effort by the McKinley managers to show that their candidate was friendly to silver.
When the delegates at St. Louis come to consider these matters their choice for president will not be William McKinley of Ohio. They are not going to determine the destiny of their party in any 'hurrah, boys, spirit. Mr. McKinley is still many votes short of a nomination, and when the delegates get together and compare notes they will realize that their candidate should be a wise temperate, conservative, educated statesman, with definite policies, fixed opinions and a safe record."—From Tom Platt's latest interview roasting McKinley.
ANTE-NUPITAL CONTRACT VALID
Decision Rendered at Nevada, Mo. in a Unique Suit.
Nevada, Mo., May 13.—An unique suit was decided by Judge D. P. Stratton in the Circuit court here to-day by which a wife's title to 140 acres of land, deeded to her by her husband in an ante nuptial contract, was confirmed to the wife. Last January Mrs. M. C. Meeks, a handsome St. Joseph widow, came here to meet Judge Charles Ford, an old and wealthy citizen of Metz township, this county, for the purpose of marrying him, provided he deeded her a certain number of his fertile acres. He gave her the desired deed, which was recorded at the same hour that the marriage license was issued. After the marriage ceremony was pronounced Judge Ford and his bride retired to his fine farm, but they lived together only a few months, when the bride left him and returned to St. Joseph. The judge claimed that his wife had agreed to marry him for 100 acres and that by mistake he deeded her 140 acres. He accordingly brought the suit to reform the deed, which was decided to-day in the wife's favor, leaving her in possession of the entire tract. The evidence developed the fact that after marriage the judge was in the habit of sleeping with a long butcher-knife under his pillow, which may or may not have hastened the wife's departure from his roof. He is nearly 75 years of age, while his wife is 43 and quite handsome.

SILVER LEADS.
Democratic Situation as It Looks Just Now.
GOLD MEN HAVE A HARD UP-HILL FIGHT ON HAND.
Figures That Show Comparative Strength in the Convention.
Cincinnati, O., May 12.—The Enquirer makes a forecast of conditions in the Democratic fold when the delegates of that party meet at Chicago July 7. It has sent word to its various correspondents in the various States where there is a contest with instructions to send an unbiased report of the strength of the contending forces, and the first and most accurate summary of the relative vote of the silver and anti-silver men is presented.
The following States have held conventions, and their delegates will stand as follows as between gold and silver:

| State | Gold | Silver |
|----------------------|------|--------|
| Alabama | 12 | 12 |
| California | 12 | 12 |
| Colorado | 12 | 12 |
| Connecticut | 12 | 12 |
| Delaware | 12 | 12 |
| Florida | 12 | 12 |
| Georgia | 12 | 12 |
| Idaho | 12 | 12 |
| Illinois | 12 | 12 |
| Indiana | 12 | 12 |
| Iowa | 12 | 12 |
| Kentucky | 12 | 12 |
| Louisiana | 12 | 12 |
| Maine | 12 | 12 |
| Maryland | 12 | 12 |
| Massachusetts | 12 | 12 |
| Michigan | 12 | 12 |
| Minnesota | 12 | 12 |
| Mississippi | 12 | 12 |
| Missouri | 12 | 12 |
| Montana | 12 | 12 |
| Nebraska | 12 | 12 |
| Nevada | 12 | 12 |
| New Hampshire | 12 | 12 |
| New Jersey | 12 | 12 |
| New York | 12 | 12 |
| North Carolina | 12 | 12 |
| North Dakota | 12 | 12 |
| Ohio | 12 | 12 |
| Oregon | 12 | 12 |
| Pennsylvania | 12 | 12 |
| Rhode Island | 12 | 12 |
| South Carolina | 12 | 12 |
| South Dakota | 12 | 12 |
| Tennessee | 12 | 12 |
| Texas | 12 | 12 |
| Vermont | 12 | 12 |
| Virginia | 12 | 12 |
| Washington | 12 | 12 |
| West Virginia | 12 | 12 |
| Wisconsin | 12 | 12 |
| Wyoming | 12 | 12 |
| District of Columbia | 12 | 12 |
| Indian Territory | 12 | 12 |
| Totals | 300 | 300 |

A second convention has been held in Nebraska by the gold Democrats, who elected 16 contesting delegates.
The table above shows that of the delegates thus far elected 131 are for silver and 134 for gold; but if the unit rule should not prevail not less than 10 of the Michigan delegation would vote for silver. It must also be remembered that the two largest States in the conceded gold column are Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, while few of the Western and Southern States are among those who have already chosen delegates. It is conceded that New York and all the other New England States, Maryland, Wisconsin and Minnesota, will elect gold delegates, but, aside from these States, it appears that the silver men have things practically their own way. It was claimed until a short time ago that Kentucky, Virginia, Iowa, Illinois and West Virginia were in the doubtful column, but now it is almost a certainty that all these States, with the possible exception of Kentucky, will elect silver delegates.
According to the present indications, when the convention meets, the standing will be as follows:

| State | Delegates | Gold | Silver |
|----------------------|-----------|------|--------|
| Alabama | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| California | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Colorado | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Connecticut | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Delaware | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Florida | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Georgia | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Idaho | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Illinois | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Indiana | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Iowa | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Kentucky | 12 | 12 | 12 |
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| Mississippi | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Missouri | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Montana | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Nebraska | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Nevada | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| New Hampshire | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| New Jersey | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| New York | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| North Carolina | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| North Dakota | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Ohio | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Oregon | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Pennsylvania | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Rhode Island | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| South Carolina | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| South Dakota | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Tennessee | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Texas | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Vermont | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Virginia | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Washington | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| West Virginia | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Wisconsin | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Wyoming | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| District of Columbia | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Indian Territory | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Totals | 300 | 304 | 306 |

Food, undigested, is poison. Digested, it is life and strength. Millions of us suffer from indigestion, but we often don't know it. We think it is something else. Even doctors often mistake the symptoms. Pale, thin people, who are overworked, who need strength, who seem in want of proper food, should take Shaker Digestive Cordial. It is astonishing what food will do, when properly digested.
It will make you strong, refresh you, sustain you, make muscle, brain fibre, courage, endurance, energy; increase you in power to throw off disease and keep you healthy and happy.
Indigestion does just the opposite but indigestion can be cured and prevented with Shaker Digestive Cordial.
Sold by all druggists. Trial bottle 10 cents.
Always in season, Hopkins' steamed Hominny (Hulled Corn). Elegant lunch in milk. Quart can, 10c.

HINGES ON NEBRASKA.
With That State Sound Money Will Win at Chicago.
Washington, D. C., May 14.—Senator Faulkner, chairman of the Democratic national Congressional committee, said to-day that unless there is a change, we are likely to have a straddle at St. Louis and free silver at Chicago.
"Senator Hill and I went over the whole situation very carefully last night," he said, "and the action at Chicago depends on a very, very small margin. We find that it will all turn on the Nebraska delegation. As is generally known there are two delegations from this Western State, and the seating of these will determine the fate of free silver. Senator Hill believes that the national committee, which will make up the temporary roll of the convention, has a majority of gold standard men, hence upon its decision as to the seating of one of the Nebraska delegations the whole outcome of the convention may hinge."
Senator Cookrell of Missouri declares that nothing but an act of God can prevent the Chicago convention from declaring for free coinage.
Republican Pets.
The republicans at the St. Joseph convention this week, declared in favor of high tariff, gold standard and reciprocity, and the Hon. Wm. McKinley as their idol.
The democracy accepts the issue. Reciprocity is the Blaine idea, but it does not harmonize with McKinley protection. When the great Blaine was alive, he denounced the McKinley tariff—as it did not furnish a market for a barrel of pork or a bushel of corn.
A McKinley high tariff is restricted markets, and a gold standard a contracted currency.
But protection and the gold standard are a pair of twins. The high wall of protection gives the protected manufacturer a grip on the consumer, as the gold standard gives the money lender a grip on the producer. Embodied into law it means the squeezing of the toiling millions, who produce the wealth by their labor. Such will be the legitimate fruits of Republican policies.
The republican party would put the toiler between two grinding stones—high interest and high protection, and if the poor devil managed to exist, he must be thankful.
The republican party is a great party—for the manufacturer and money lender.—Nevada Mail.
How's This?
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo, O.
We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.
WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. WALKING, KINNAN & MAXVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Testimonials free.
Louisiana Election.
New Orleans, La., April 23.—There has been a great deal of talk about fraud in the election in this State, and Pharr is making a loud howl, but there is no doubt of Foster's election. The estimate of the Democratic majority outside of New Orleans is 30,000 to 35,000. Foster's majority in New Orleans is a little over 6,000. The Legislature is reliably Democratic in both houses.
Whatever may be the cause of blanching, the hair may be restored to its original color by the use of that potent remedy Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer.
"It is a habit of many farmers," says a protectionist journal, "to get up at say 3 o'clock in the morning, and after eating a hearty breakfast sit around for a few hours until it becomes light enough to go about the occupations of the day." What the protectionists don't know about the farmer is only exceeded by what they don't care about him.—Kansas City Times.
A Deception Easily Practised.
4 is the offer of a reward for "any case of catarrh not cured" by certain "cures" or "blood medicines." Nothing is said regarding the number of bottles required and therein lies the deception. The makers of Ely's Cream Balm have reported to such devices. Cream Balm is an elegant preparation, agreeable to use and immediate in its beneficial results. It cures catarrh. You can rely upon the fact that it contains no mercury nor other injurious drugs. 50 cts.
ELLY'S CREAM BALM
Cures the Nasal Catarrh, Allays Inflammation, Heals the Sores, Protects the Membrane from Cold, Restores the Sense of Taste and Smell.
COLD IN HEAD
IT WILL CURE.
A particle is applied directly into nostrils and is agreeable. Price 50c. per bottle. ELY BROTHERS, 50 Warren St., N. Y.

Obituary.
Mrs. Sarah J. Briden died at her home in Lone Oak township, Bates county, May 14th, 1896. The deceased was born December 12th, 1831, in Nottinghamshire, England. She came to America in 1841 and was married seven years after to John Briden in the city of Chicago. To this union was born fourteen children, seven boys and seven girls, six of whom are now living. One daughter is in Chicago, the rest live in Bates county and were present at her death.
Mrs. Briden was a most estimable woman, loved and respected by all who knew her. She departed this life very peacefully to join her children and husband, who preceded her twelve years before. Six loving children and a large circle of sympathizing friends mourn her loss.
A FRIEND.
The new ice plant being put in at Clinton is about completed. Now if Butler had direct communication with Clinton no doubt the ice company could supply this town as well as Clinton, and then we would get the pure stuff.
why?
Why wear wool?
To keep out cold? No.
To keep in heat.
If the body is supplied with plenty of fresh air—oxygen—and proper food, it will generate sufficient warmth to protect you on the coldest day—**Scott's Emulsion** of Cod-liver Oil, with Hypophosphites, is the best warmth-food. Thin people, people with poor blood who are easily shaken by a cold wind take Scott's Emulsion and it makes good blood, improves the appetite, increases flesh, furnishes bodily warmth, and prevents the ill results from colds, coughs, and exposures.
SCOTT'S EMULSION has been endorsed by the medical profession for twenty years. (Ask your doctor.) This is because it is always palatable, always uniform, always contains the purest Norwegian Cod-liver Oil and Hypophosphites.
Put up in 50 cent and \$1.00 sizes. The small size may be enough to cure your cough or help your baby.
Dr. O. W. Holmes
says that music is an ever-sovereign balm. And so it is, thank Mercy, for sore spirits. But for the aches, pains and weaknesses of the body Johnson's Belladonna Plaster is better. It soothes, warms, comforts and heals. It seeks out the cause of the trouble and sets it right. It contains virtues old as history, yet never before so combined as to be of the highest practical efficiency. Note the Red Cross on all the genuine.
JOHN S. HOLLAND, Manufacturing Chemist, New York.
O. T. BEESON
Real Estate and Insurance
I respectfully solicit the business of all good people in Butler and Bates Co., and will give careful and prompt attention to any business placed in my hands. My commissions will be low. Come and see me, over the
FARMERS' BANK.
T. W. LECC.
For all repairs, or parts of Buggies, Surries, road wagons, farm wagons, phaetons, cycles, shafts, neckyokes, wheels, dashes, cushions, top, I sell the best.
Buggy Paint on Earth.
We reset tires and
DO NOT RUIN THE WHEELS.
Will furnish you a heavy
HIGH OR LOW GRADE
for very few dollars. I am thankful to all who have patronized me and hope you will continue to do so, and if you have over-looked me, come and be convinced that this is the right place.
J. H.
FOR YOUR PROTECTION CATARRH
we positively state that this remedy does not contain mercury or any other injurious drug.
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